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#### (57) ABSTRACT

A water-like fluid containing safe water and soluble dietary fiber(s). The resulting solution is generally optically clear and has physical properties similar to potable water. The fluid is intended as a replacement for bottled, or other water, as a means to ensure proper hydration. Depending on the soluble fiber used the fluid is either non-caloric or extremely low in calories. The amount of soluble fiber is adjusted to a specific amount of water so that consumption of an adequate amount of fluid ensures hydration. In one embodiment, a flavoring may be added to the resulting solution.

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